



Public Charter Schools | FACT SHEET

Total State Support for Public Charter Schools

Fiscal Year	FY09	FY10	FY11	% Change from FY09 to FY11
Dollar Amount	\$66,227,258	\$78,800,105	\$77,626,138	17%

Number of Public Charter Schools

	2009-2010	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013
District-Authorized	14	15	14*	14
IPCSC-Authorized	22	25*	29	30
Total	36	40	43	44

It is anticipated that 4-6 new public charter schools will be approved each year for the foreseeable future. If present trends continue, most or all of these will be authorized by the Idaho Public Charter School Commission.

Public Charter School Enrollment

	2009-2010	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013**
District-Authorized	5,048	5,521	5,487	5,321
IPCSC-Authorized	9,439	10,691	10,597	10,912
Brick & Mortar	10,311	11,484	10,861	11,010
Virtual	4,176	4,728	5,223	5,223
Total	14,487	16,212	16,084	16,233

The number of students currently enrolled in Idaho's public charter schools represents 5.7% of Idaho's public school student population. 1.8% of Idaho's public school students are enrolled in virtual public charter schools.

Idaho Public Charter School Commission Program Budget

	FY 2009 (actual)	FY 2010 (actual)	FY 2011 (actual)	FY 2012 (budgeted)
Personnel Costs	\$79,113	\$100,366	\$102,490	\$198,770
Operating Expenditures	\$11,084	\$22,121	\$19,766	\$39,784

Increased operating budgets are reflective of the meetings, tools, and training required for the oversight of an expanding number of schools. Increased personnel costs reflect the addition of a second, full-time IPCSC staff position, bringing Idaho closer to the nationwide authorizer staffing average of 1 full-time equivalent (FTE) per 5.3 schools.***

*In 2010-11, three new IPCSC schools opened, one existing IPCSC school closed, and one school transferred from district to IPCSC. In 2011-12, one existing district school closed.

**These estimates are based on enrollment caps contained in charters approved but not yet open, and do not reflect the anticipated expansion of existing schools.

***Source: The State of Charter School Authorizing 2009 Annual Report, National Association of Charter School Authorizers.